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IS IT RIGHT TO BE RICH.

We have been requested to state some of the points contained in the pamphlet of the above title, written by our late treasurer, Mr. Lewis Tappan, so that persons who are not in possession of it may have some clue to the argument and illustrations. The tract is published for the purpose of explaining the scriptural doctrine of STEWARDSHIP, and of doing something to elevate the views of the Church to a higher standard of duty. It gives some definite principles in regard to the acquisition and use of property; it answers the question, What constitutes wealth or riches; and shows that the Scriptures plainly warn men *against amassing and hoarding riches, as dangerous to themselves and families, both in time and eternity.*

Objections to the points named are answered, and the general belief that religious men may pursue wealth in the same way as irreligious men, provided they give in charity or for benevolent objects more liberally, and leave larger sums to those objects in their Wills is refuted. It discusses the subject, What proportion of one's income should be appropriated to the cause of Christian benevolence; it states the observation of the author, during a mercantile life of sixty years, with respect to the effect of riches upon wealthy men, and gives facts in illustration of the

mistakes of good men, the astounding neglects of duty of many professors of religion, and the doings of several good stewards in the community. The folly and criminality of hoarding riches are set forth, and appeals are made to Christian men and women to make a discreet and liberal use of property during their lives, each being as far as possible his own executor.

We are satisfied that the tract has a tendency to awaken inquiry, affect the conscience, lead to a wiser use of money, elevate the character of church members, add to the resources of our benevolent associations, and make better members of society and better Christians.

A third edition of 2000 copies is in the press. We hope our readers will co-operate, actively and liberally, in giving a wide circulation to this pamphlet. Copies can be had on application to W. E. Whiting, 53 John Street, N. Y., or Lewis Tappan, 206 Degraw Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., at simple cost, namely, five dollars a hundred, or at that rate for a less or greater number. Copies will be sent to the address of persons designated by purchasers and donors. The name, residence, county and state should be fully written. When sent by mail, the postage should be added—2 cents for four copies, or for any number less than four.